

2015 Science CRT-Alternate Administration





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About This Training

- This training is intended to give a broad overview of the CRT Alternate. Other training materials are available on OPI MontCAS website: http://www.opi.mt.gov/curriculum/MontCAS/#gpm1_4
- Also, please refer the CRT Alternate Administration Manual for the most complete information.
- Please use the contact information provided to ask questions.





Reminders for 2015 Science CRT-Alt

- Grades 4, 8, and 10
- All testing materials, CRT and CRT-Alternate, will be again included in one shipment.
- The test security agreements for system test coordinators and school principals/authorized representatives will be online on the MontCAS website.
- Return of CRT-Alternate envelopes:
 - The Tyvek envelopes must be sent to the system test coordinator who will ship them with other CRT materials.
- NCSC Alternate
 - Grades 3-8 and 11
 - ELA and Math





Important CRT-Alt Dates

Dates	Events
Feb. 3-7	System Test Coordinators download and print CRT-Alternate Test Administration Manual and Test Booklets to distribute to Test Administrators. System Test Coordinators will receive password for Test booklets by January 29.
Feb. 12- 17	CRT-Alternate Test Material Kits and Return Materials arrive to System Test Coordinators to disseminate to teachers
March 26	Last day to ship CRT-Alternate test (and CRT) materials to Measured Progress





Montana Criteria for Participation in Alternate Assessments

Student's
demonstrated cognitive
abilities and adaptive
behavior require
substantial
adjustments to general
curriculum.

Student's learning objectives and expected outcomes focus on functional application of skills, as illustrated in the student's IEP's annual goals and short-term objectives

Student has active IEP and receives services under IDEA.

Meet all four of the following criteria:

Student requires direct and extensive instruction to acquire, maintain, generalize and transfer new skills.







Participation Decision

- If you answer "NO" to <u>any</u> of the four questions, the student must participate in the regular CRT.
- If ALL answers are "YES," the student is eligible to take the alternate and considered to be a student with a significant cognitive disability.
- This eligibility needs to be included in an IEP.





Eligibility May Not Be Based on Any of the Following

- Excessive or extended absence
- Disability category
- Social, cultural or economic difference
- The amount of time receiving special education services
- Academic Achievement significantly lower than his or her same age peers.





Other Participation Information

- Grades 4, 8, and 10 Montana Accredited Schools
- Not included in participation
 - Home school students
 - Private non-accredited schools
 - Residential treatment centers under contract with the OPI
 - Part time enrolled students test in resident school
 - Montana Youth Challenge Academy
 - Job Corps





Test Administrators

- Only certified educators employed by the system or school may administer the test.
- Para professionals may assist within sight and sound of the certified educator.
- Plan personnel and procedures for emergencies.



About the Test

- Test items are aligned with Montana Science content standards
- Standards have been expanded to encompass skills that lead to the development of grade level standards



CRT-Alt Materials

Secure CRT-Alt Test Booklet



Test Material Kit



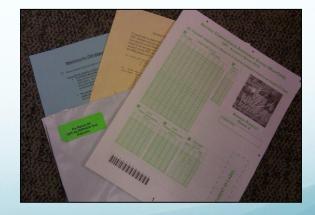




CRT-Alt Administration Manual



Return Materials



Test Booklet Organization

CRT-Alternate Reading and Mathematics Grade 6

Contents

Reading	Page
Tasklet 1	2-8
Tasklet 2	9-17
Tasklet 3	18-24
Tasklet 4	25-31
Tasklet 5	32-40

Mathematics	Pages
Tasklet 1	43-48
Tasklet 2	49-56
Tasklet 3	57-62
Tasklet 4	63-68
Tasklet 5	69-74

Instructions for Administering the Grade
This test measures student skills in two content acactivities called tasklets. Students will be tested on
tasklets. Answers for both content areas are records
test are described in the CRT-Alternate Administrati
www.opi.state.mt.us/assessment/crt.html or www.m

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Content exposure/generalization	153
The materials used and/or the information assessed in these test activities was new to the student.	0
 The materials used and/or the information assessed in these test adivities has been introduced to the student several times prior to scoring. 	0
The materials used and/or the information assessed in this test activity is very familiar to the student.	0
Test Administration 4. The student completed all five tasklets.	YES

4. The spoets willplead all live askiets.	0
The evidence template(s) is (are) complete and attached to the CRT-Alternate Test Booklet.	0
Student's name is written on the Evidence Templates.	0
 The Teacher Recording Sheet for each piece of student evidence is completed. 	0
Student's name is written on the Teacher Recording Sheets.	0
Did you view the teacher training CD provided with the test materials before administering the test?	0
 How valuable was the teacher training CD on a scale 	0.1
of 1 (not very valuable) - 4 (extremely valuable)?	0.2
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	0.4

Administration time	Total	
11. Set-up/planning time	O 1/2 hr.	O 3 hr.
	O 1 hr.	O 4 hr.
	O 2 hr.	O 5 hr. or more
12. Time directly	O 1/2 hr.	O 2 hr.
administering the tasklets	O 1 hr.	O 3 hr. or more
Test administration	O 1 day	O 4 days
sessions	O 2 days	O 5 days
	O 3 days	O 6 or more days
How often did you use t	he break between the	O Always
tasklets?		O Sometimes
l .		O Never

Assessment materials used	YES
 Materials used were primarily those provided. 	0
 Materials were primarily nontext (e.g., pictures/videos, real objects). 	0
17. How helpful were the test activity materials in the material kit on a scale of 1 (not very helpful) – 4 (extremely helpful)?	0 1 0 2 0 3 0 4
18. Did you use the materials CD provided in the materials kit?	0
19. If you used the materials CD, how helpful was it on a scale of 1 (not very helpful) - 4 (extremely helpful)?	0 1 0 2 0 3

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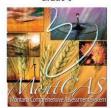


Montana Comprehensive Assessment System (MontCAS)

End of Reading Tasklet 1

Criterion-Referenced Test Alternate Assessment (CRT-Alternate)

CRT-Alternate Test Booklet
Spring 2010
Reading and Mathematics
Grade 3





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Assessment Format

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Materials	Activity Steps	Student Work	Performance Indicators
	Teacher will:	Student will:	Use Scoring Guide TRANSFER SCORES TO STUDENT RESPONSE BOOKLET
The materials that are needed for each item and suggested student communication supports and strategies that may be helpful for some students are described in this column. Most materials can be found in the Material Kit, but some materials the teacher needs to supply.	This column contains information about how to display task materials and prepare the student for the question. A script for the teacher appears in bold and italicized print, and suggests language that can be used to present the item. The script is intended as a guide only, and should be adapted by the teacher as needed. Information on how to scaffold levels 3, 2, and 1 of the rubric for items that are scored at levels 4 through 0 is also provided in this column.	The correct student response and/or an explanation of how the student should be responding is provided in this column.	The performance indicator that is assessed by each item is identified in this column. The performance indicators come from the Montana Standards and Expanded Benchmarks. The performance indicator number and expanded benchmark number referenced to the Expanded Benchmarks document are also identified in this column.





Test Materials

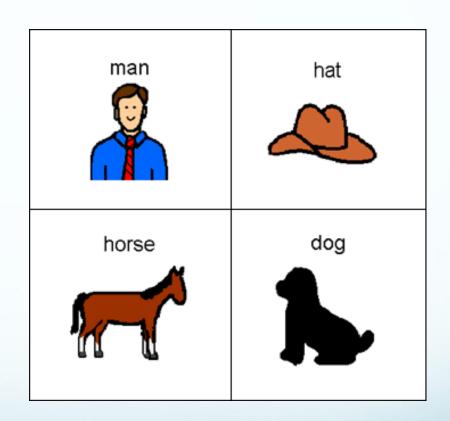
Materials

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- Picture cards:
 - man
 - hat
 - horse
 - dog

Communication support strategies:

- Student may look at/point to task materials to express a choice.
- Request may be rephrased to require yes/no response (e.g., point to a picture card and ask "Is this the dog?").
- Student may tell teacher to "stop" at desired response as teacher sequentially points to each item.









Check in Advance for Other Materials

Materials Provided

- Ball number cards: 2, 3, 4, 5
- Ball number line
- · Worksheet: ants
- Worksheet: children in a line
- Bee number cards
- Bee card template
- Number cards: 4, 5, 6
- · Number cards: 1st, 2nd 3rd

Other Materials Needed

- 4 counters
- Materials typically used by the student for reading/writing other than what is provided in this kit
- Materials typically used by the student to communicate (e.g., communication device, objects, switches, eye gaze board, tactile symbols)
- Throughout the activity, make any material substitutions necessary to enable the student to understand test questions (e.g., objects, larger print, different pictures, materials in auditory formats).
- Materials provided may need to be further adapted for students who are hearing or visually impaired.
 Suggestions for adapting materials are in the CRT-Alternate Administration Manual.

Grade 5 Math Material Summary Form

Mathematics Tasklet 1

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Mathematics Tasklet 2

Materials provided in Material Kit:	Teacher supplied materials:
Circle template	12 counters
Symbol cards: -, +, x, ÷	
Number cards: 0, 1, 7, 14	
Evidence template: 7 + 0 =	
Evidence template teacher recording	
sheet	
Addition sentence: 2 + 4 = 6	
4 options of circle template (if needed)	
Number line (if needed)	

Mathematics Tasklet 3







Organizing Materials

- Schedule prep time (substitute, time to work with other test administrators)
- Test booklet in binder, to allow for easy flipping from page to page (single sided)
- Materials in individuals folders, or single folder with divider, sequenced by item
- Use of another person to "hand" materials to test administrator
- Maintain files of materials from year to year





Activity Steps Teacher will:

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Display the picture cards on the work space in front of the student. Do not describe them.

"Show me the dog."

Scaffold:

Level 3: Remove the incorrect response. Repeat the request.

<u>Level 2</u>: Remove another incorrect response. Repeat the request.

Level 1:

Say, "This is the dog. Show me the dog." Assist student as needed to identify dog.

- Describes how to prepare for and introduce test item
- Provides script for the questions
- Provides script for scaffolding
- Language may be modified



Strategies to Help with the Scripted Implementation

- Review scripting in advance
- Write notes about language/materials substitutions in test booklet
- Practice sequencing with a peer who is also administering the test



Student Work Student Will:

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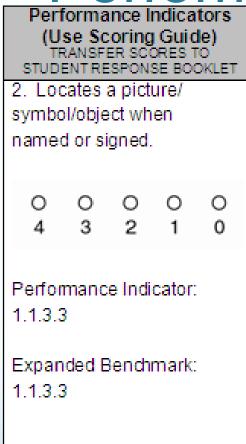
2. Identify "dog."

 Identifies the expected student response





Performance Indicators



- The performance indicator describes the specific skill that is being assessed by a test item.
- A complete list of performance indicators are in the Expanded Benchmarks documents described previously.
- Performance Indicators for each grade and content area are released online every year.
- Scoring rubric





Scoring

Montana Alternate Assessment Scoring Guide Performance (independence and accuracy) Used to score every item during the structured observation test activity. Student Student responds Student Student is guided Student does not accurately when responds responds to correct respond or teacher clarifies, actively resists. accurately and accurately when response by with no teacher provides highlights teacher (e.g., important basic yes/no modeling the assistance. information or questions or correct response or providing full reduces the range forced choices between two of options to three. physical options. assistance).

- Scoring and scaffolding are directly related processes
- Except for introductory items, each item is scored using the rubric above
- The rubric is sensitive to small differences in performance among students that may require assistance in order to respond to the test items







Scaffolding -> Scoring

"You will put your name on this worksheet. Which of these is your name?"

Assist the student to write his/her name on the worksheet.

Scaffold:

Level 3: Remove one incorrect name. Repeat question.

Level 2: Remove another incorrect name. Repeat question.

Level 1: Remove another incorrect name. "Here is your name. Show me your name." Assist student as needed to identify name.

- ALWAYS allow student the opportunity to respond independently
- Proceed through scaffolding sequentially
- Score response based on level of assistance provided





Introductory Items

Student Work Student will:	Performance Indicators (Use Scoring Guide) TRANSFER SCORES TO STUDENT RESPONSE BOOKLET	
Attend to the reading materials.	Attends to literacy materials.	
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- Introductory items are scored on a different scale
- They are always the first item of each tasklet





When Finished with Testing Transfer Student Scores from CRT-Alt Test Booklets to CRT Answer Booklets



Transfer student scores to the answer booklet. There is one section for each subject tested.

Complete the administration survey for each subject.

REMINDER:

The pages for the CRT Alt scores are located at the back of the CRT answer booklet for each grade.



Teacher Recording Evidence Form

TEACHER RECORDING EVIDENCE FORM Reading Tasklet 5 Item 2 Item 4 Used words to respond. Used words to respond Used communication device/display Used communication device/display Indicate how the student Pointed to/manipulated test materials Pointed to/manipulated test materials communicated his or her Used auditory scanning Used auditory scanning response. ☐ Used gestures/sign language Used gestures/sign language ☐ Other ☐ Other selected "boy" selected "tree" ☐ selected "ball ☐ selected "airl" Indicate the student's initial ☐ selected "fun selected "boy" response to the item before scaffolding. selected "tree" ☐ selected "play" no response no response ☐ selected "boy" ☐ selected "tree" If applicable, indicate the ☐ selected "ball" selected "airl" ☐ selected "fun " selected "boy" student's response after ☐ selected "play" level 3 scaffolding. selected "tree" no response no response ☐ selected "boy" selected "tree" If applicable, indicate the selected "ball" selected "airl" student's response after selected "fun" selected "boy" level 2 scaffolding. selected "tree" selected "play" no response no response selected "boy" selected "tree" ☐ selected "girl" selected "ball" If applicable, indicate the student's response after selected "fun" selected "boy" level 1 scaffolding. selected "tree" selected "play" no response no response If applicable, describe the student's behavior if the student was unresponsive to the item.

- The magnifying glass icon flags items that require evidence
- Record student's response as the item is administered
- Fill out the form for each item that requires student evidence





Teacher Questionnaire

- Yellow Questionnaire from CRT-Alternate return materials
- Answer questions using bubbles 1, 2, and 3 on page 2 of the Student Answer Booklet, for "State Use Only."

Complete appropriate sections of this page after testing is complete Section 1: Required only for public schools and private schools accredited by the Montana Board of Public Education. TO BE COMPLETED BY SCHOOL TEST COORDINATOR Student not enrolled (For example: homeschooled student) Student enrolled less than 180 hours and taking a reading or mathematics course First-year LEP student enrolled in a United States school. "First-year" means full calendar year from date of first enrollment in any United States school. (For example: First-time enrollment on September 10, 2013, means that first-year LÉP status would be valid through September 10, 2014.) Section 2: Required only for public schools and private schools accredited by the Montana Board of Public Education, TO BE COMPLETED BY THE TEST ADMINISTRATOR. This section is not applicable for students participating in the CRT-Alternate Assessment (Mark all that apply.) NON-STANDARD ACCOMMODATIONS (Mark all that apply.) Section 3: Only for private schools not accredited by the Montana Board of Public Education. TO BE COMPLETED BY SCHOOL TEST COORDINATOR. O Student enrolled in a private non-accredited school (Mark all that apply.) O SE (student has an IEP) American Indian/Alaskan Native Black or African American LEP/ELL (Cannot be former LEP) O Former LEP (Cannot be current LEP) (Student should participate through STATE USE ONLY 1. A B C C 2. ABOO 3. A B C D





Making the Test a Positive Experience for Teacher and Student

- Frequent breaks
- Short test periods
- Scaffolding to support students when they need assistance
- Scoring:
 - No response or engagement is scored as a "0" for inconclusive
 - If there are 3 consecutive "0" score, stop the administration of the test
 - Resume test at another time, following the scoring rule procedures for halting on the next slide and in the CRT-Alternate Administration Manual





Halting Rule and Process

- When the test is resumed at a different time, readminister the final 3 items on which the student scored a "0"
- If the student again scores a "0" on 3 consecutive items, halt test administration
- If student scores anything other than a "0", continue testing as before
- If 3 consecutive "0"s are scored again, halt the testing of the tasklet and leave remaining items blank.
 Continue on to the next tasklet





CRT-Alt: Structured Yet Flexible

- Students for whom this assessment is designed vary in how they communicate and respond
- Test administrator must carefully examine the tasks in advance and make necessary adaptations for individual test takers
- A separate PP addresses customizations.







When Planning Consider the Following

- Student's communication skills
 - How student receives information
 - How student expresses information
- Task demands
 - Format of question
 - Format of materials provided
 - Response required of student





Communication Supports



What system does the student use to communicate on a daily basis?

 Customize THIS system to the demands of the assessment







Analyze Communication Demands

- What vocabulary must be available to provide appropriate options for the EACH STEP of the task?
- Create displays that are consistent with student's discrimination skills.







Beyond the individual test items...

- Consider messages that might be needed throughout the test
 - I need help
 - I don't understand
 - Please repeat
 - Can we take a break?
 - Yes/No
- Consider having a display accessible to student throughout the test





Item/Test Presentation

- Format of question
 - Multiple-choice
 - Yes/No
 - Open-ended
- Task materials provided
 - Is reading involved?
 - Is manipulation of materials required
 - Will the format of the materials work for the student?
- Response required of student
 - Does student have to "say" something
 - Does student have to "do" something

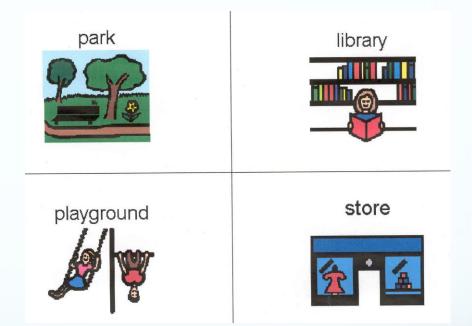




Multiple Choice Questions

Display 4 word/picture cards on the work space.

"Show me the picture/ symbol/object that means library." (If library is not available, substitute appropriate term.)



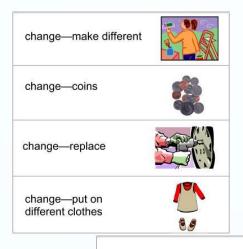


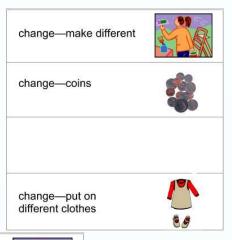


Scaffolding Multiple Choice Items

Level 4







Level 2





Level 1







Modifying Size/Display



- Cut laminated grid to display choices as appropriate for student
- Use electronic version of materials to enlarge them
- Program communication device with auditory output to enable student to hear choices
- Use real objects











Item Response: Your Analysis Can student make pointing o If no. adapt the response

- response required of item?
- o If no, adapt the response required
 - Select display that allows for alternative inputs
 - Teacher presents options in scanning format
 - Adapt question to require yes/no response
 - Present responses in auditory format that student can "stop" with reliable motor response







Yes/No Response Format

- Shift motor demands to the teacher
- "Let me show you the choices. Will this keep Jan warm?"







Place the book and the word/picture symbols on the work space. Review the word/picture symbols and describe the items with the student.

"What will Jan pack to keep her warm at night?"







Student "Stops" Scanning Display



- Teacher points to each picture in sequence
- Student directs teacher to "stop" when the teacher points to the correct response



Items Requiring Performance

 Display literary materials on the work space and encourage the students to explore them.
 Observe correct manipulation of literacy materials.

"Show me how you use this."

Communication Support Strategies:

- Student may look at/point to materials to express response OR
- If the student is unable to manipulate the test materials, ask student to indicate (e.g., "yes"/"no") if teacher is handling materials correctly (e.g., "Is the book in the correct position? Am I going to hit the right button?")





Example of Scaffolding a Performance Item

- Level 3 = provide additional information
- Level 2 = model correct response
- Level 1 = guide student through correct response

Scaffold:

Level 3: Give the student a verbal description of how to hold book/turn on tape. Repeat the request.

Level 2: Demonstrate the correct way to hold/turn the material. Give the material to the student and repeat the request.

Level 1: Assist the student as needed to manipulate the material appropriately, say "This is how you use this."





Returning Student Materials

- Place the following materials in the white plastic envelope for each student labeled "For Return of CRT-ALTERNATE Test Materials"
 - CRT-Alternate Test Booklet
 - Completed Answer Booklet
 - Material Replacement Order Form (if necessary)
- Do not seal the envelopes
- Return envelopes to your System Test Coordinator by March 26





Material Kits



- The kits should be kept secure when not being used for planning or testing.
- After testing, please return Material Kits to your System
 Test Coordinator after testing for secure storage.







Tips

- 20-30 minute testing sessions
- Practice with the materials by yourself or with colleague
- Communicate and be aware of crucial deadlines
- Clear, explicit, detailed instructions on HOW to give the test
- Give yourself time to prepare in advance





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